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**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX**

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**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 20-May-05**

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)	ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY			
	<u>Actual Slaughter</u>	<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Price</u>	<u># of Boxes</u>
05/16	2,301	5.60	62-86	73.94	7,071
05/17	2,194	5.67	62-89	74.02	8,768
05/18	2,229	5.52	62-86	74.86	6,975
05/19	2,277	5.52	62-89	75.43	7,020
05/20	2,491	5.56	62-90	74.50	7,515
Weekly	11,492	5.57	Cumulative:	74.52	37,348

**NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 23-May-05**

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	71.29	71.38	82.72
Chicago	68.81	68.76	79.44
Detroit	69.69	69.83	81.11
Los Angeles	79.63	79.63	82.28
Composite Weighted Average	73.20	72.14	81.77

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 20-May-05**

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	137.40	3,810,760
Tenderloins	135.28	942,050
Breast - With Ribs	91.62	588,760
Breast - Line Run	83.46	450,080
Legs	54.89	901,600
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	39.37	1,512,680
Drumsticks	48.77	679,300
Thighs	52.38	437,500
B/S Thighs	101.10	493,590
Wings (Whole)	86.69	687,640

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

**BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 14-May-05**

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>10-Weeks Prior</u>	<u>7-Weeks Prior</u>
Eggs Set	216,003	214,203	213,724	214,750	212,819
Chicks Placed	178,071	177,440	175,431	176,267	176,843

**SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 14-MAY-05**

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	163,338	163,999	158,470
Average Live Weight	5.32	5.30	5.24
To Date 2005 (000)	2,998,844	2,835,506	-----
To Date 2004 (000)	2,926,562	2,768,092	-----

**MONTHLY COLD STORAGE:** Total frozen poultry supplies on April 30, 2005 were 5% above the previous month, but down 4% from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 3% from the previous month and up 8% from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 8% from last month, but down 18% from April 30, 2004.

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